

Interview Summary

Application No.

09/687,384

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Donna A. Jagoe

Art Unit

1614

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Donna A. Jagoe. (3)_____.

(2) John McDonnell. (4)_____.

Date of Interview: 09 January 2003 .

Type: a)☒ Telephonic b)☐ Video Conference
c)☐ Personal [copy given to: 1)☐ applicant 2)☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d)☐ Yes e)☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____ .

Claim(s) discussed: 1 .

Identification of prior art discussed: none .

Agreement with respect to the claims f)☒ was reached. g)☐ was not reached. h)☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet .

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i)☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview(if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: an examiners amendment was authorized by Mr. McDonnell regarding claim 1 wherein the word "and" is deleted and replaced with the word --- or ---. Further,, delete the words "by means of administration of" and replace with the words --- comprising administering ---- therefore. Claim 1, line 2 of the claim delete the letters "RS". Claim 1, line 2 of the claim, after the word "pindolol" add the words --- or S (-) pindolol ---. Claim 1, line 2 of the claim after the word "thereof" add the words --- to a subject in need thereof ----..

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with John McDonnell on January 9, 2003.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1, line 1 of the claim, delete the word "and" and replace with the word --- or --- therefore.

Claim 1, delete the words "by means of administration of" and replace with the words --- comprising administering ---- therefore.

Claim 1, line 2 of the claim delete the letters "RS".

Claim 1, line 2 of the claim, after the word "pindolol" add the words --- or S (-) pindolol ---.

Claim 1, line 2 of the claim after the word "thereof" add the words --- to a subject in need thereof ----.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art does not teach, disclose or fairly suggest the method for preventing or treating a gastrointestinal disease comprising administering racemic pindolol or S (-) pindolol to a subject in need of such treatment.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Donna A. Jagoe whose telephone number is (703) 306-5826. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Marianne Seidel can be reached on (703) 308-4725. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 305-3230 for regular communications and (703) 872-9307 for After Final communications.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1235.

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